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BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS



‘Emissary had free hand’

Palace, AFP say they don’t know of ‘unique approach’

By Christine O. Avendaño in Manila, Arlyn dela Cruz, Contributor and Julie S. Alipala, Inquirer Mindanao

THE GOVERNMENT YESTERDAY WAS DISMISSIVE OF the Inquirer report that its agents had kidnapped family members of the leader of the group that abducted Fr. Giancarlo Bossi to pressure him to release the priest.

Parishioners cook spaghetti for return of beloved ‘Bigfoot’

By Julie S. Alipala, Inquirer Mindanao

We have the power, says champion of women

By Jocelyn R. Uy



Now it can be told: Ka Bel planned ‘great escape’



RP eagle soars again over Leyte forest

Gov’t gives MILF till today to turn over killers of 14 Marines, or else... NEWS / A2

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Villar will be Senate President, opposition senators concede NEWS / A4

De Venecia agrees to secret ballot to pick next Speaker NEWS / A2

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Give up suspects today, or else ...

Police action imminent if MILF doesn't surrender Marines' killers

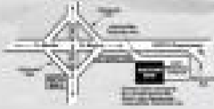
By Alcuin Papa and Christine O. Avendaño

THE SEPARATIST MORO ISLAMIC LIBERATION Front (MILF) must surrender those behind the gruesome killing of 14 Marines or face a military offensive, the government said yesterday.

No all-out war

Palace guard off





JDV agrees to secret ballot to pick Speaker

Bitter rivalry

Flawed proposal

GMA can deliver Sona sans Speaker–Salonga

By Norman Bordadora

Villar will be Senate chief, opposition concedes

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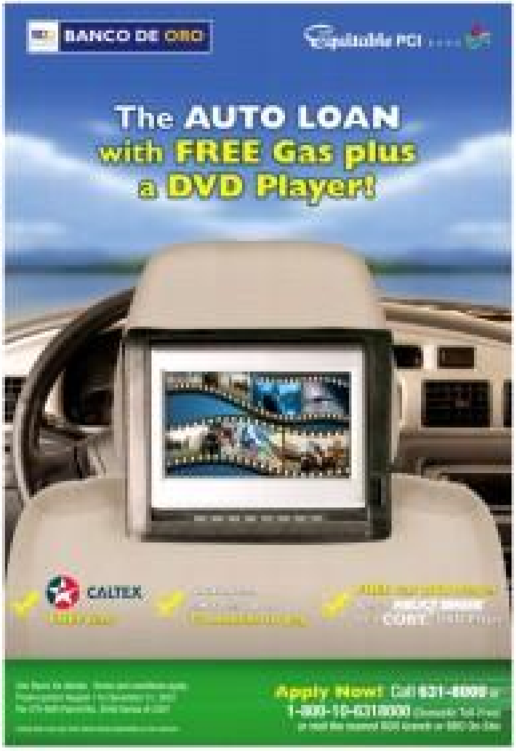
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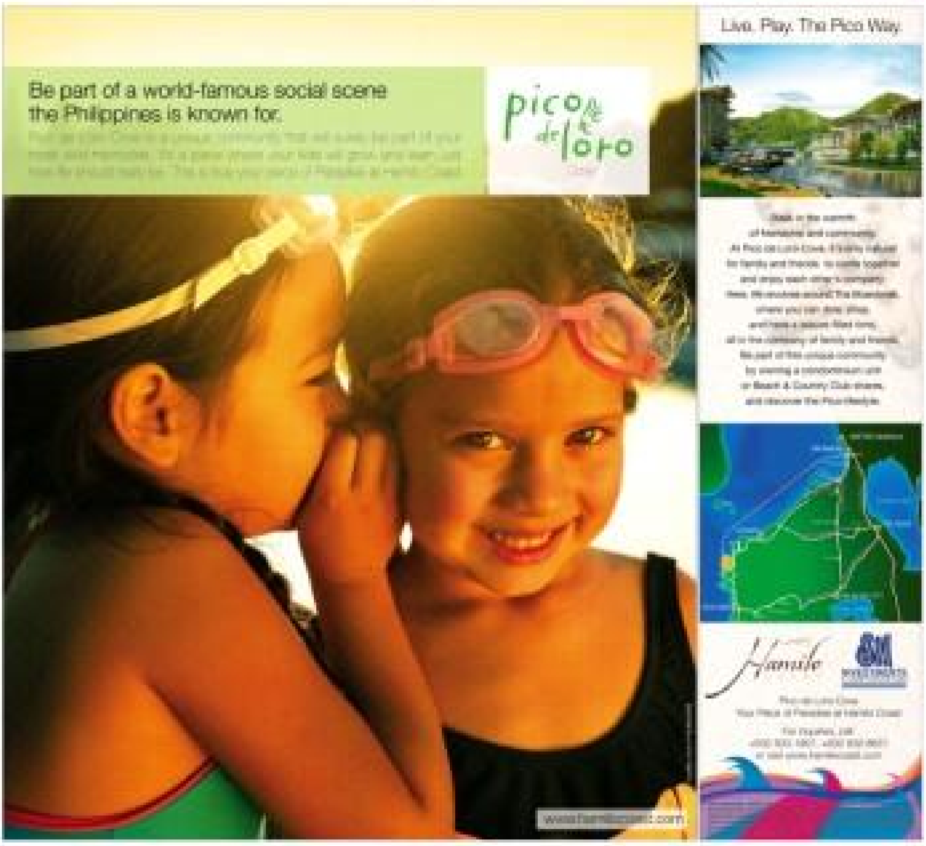
The Daily Gospel

Police hunt fellow cops in kidnap, robbery gang











Now it can be told: Ka Bel ...

Been there, done that

Reading and writing

A day in the life

We have the power, says champion of women



Education by accident

Growing up poor

Controversy

Mullahs

Winning the mullahs

Time to heal

RP eagle soars again over Leyte forest

Missing

Last reported sighting

Critically endangered

National bird

Jess Sison, journalist; 76

JOURNALIST AND FORMER PRESS SECRETARY Jesus "Jess" C. Sison died at home yesterday after suffering cardiac arrest. He was 76.

Sison had just been released from the hospital after a week-long confinement for high fever.

In conveying its condolences to Sison's family, Malacañang said Sison would be remembered "for his columns and writings and service to the nation."

"As one in several of his peers, his death marks the passing of a great journalist and a good friend to many," Press Secretary Ignacio Bunye said in a statement.

"President Arroyo and the entire Office of the Press Secretary family join the members of media and his countless readers in extending our sympathies to his bereaved loved ones," Bunye said.

A longtime journalist and government employee who served several administrations, Sison became the press secretary of President Fidel Ramos from May 1993 to June 1995.

His last government post was that of chair of the Movie and Television Review and Classification Board which he headed from September 1995 to July 1998.

Sison majored in journalism and literature at the University of Santo Tomas where he obtained his bachelor's degree.

He served as an assistant to the late journalist, Teodoro "Ka Doroy" Valencia, for 15 years in the 1970s and '80s while working as a columnist and editorial writer at the Daily Express newspaper.

He subsequently became a columnist, at different times, for the Bulletin, The Independent, Balita, Malaya and Manila newspapers.

In 1992, he also started a career in radio, working as a commentator for DZRJ.

Sison started his government service in 1949 as a press assistant at the Malacañang Press Office, a position he held until 1958.

His remains will be brought to Funeraria Nacional on Aurora Avenue, Quezon City.

He is survived by his wife Nany and their four children. *Christine O. Avendaño*







'I forgave my kidnappers'

'Emissary given free hand' by Palace; gov't unaware

Parishioners cook spaghetti for homecoming of their beloved 'Bigfoot'

'Open skies' death of air industry, says ex-solon

A NATION MOVING FORWARD

Highlights of SONA Accomplishments

2004
BEAT THE ODDS

"Pinapangako ko ang isang bagong direksiyon: Mamamayan muna."

1. Increased Job Opportunities
- 92.6% employment rate as of April 2007
- 7.00 million jobs generated by the government from 2001 to 2007

2. Enhanced Access To Social Services
- 95.35% level of barangay electrification, energizing 39,994 of the 41,945 barangays nationwide as of April 2007
- 3.6 million people in Metro Manila served with the completion of septage treatment plants in Taguig and San Mateo
- 1 million people in Antipolo City and adjacent towns provided with water under the P2 billion Antipolo Water Supply Project
- Nine subdivisions in Parañaque, that bought water for almost 10 years, provided with water connection
- 1,274 water supply projects completed under the President's Priority Program on Water
- 3.98 million indigent families enrolled under the National Health Insurance Program as of March 2007
- 6,260 Tindahan Natin outlets established nationwide, benefiting at least 1.5 million families as of June 30, 2007; iron-fortified rice is sold at P18 per kilo and noodles at prices 7% to 10% lower than the prevailing market price
- 1,365 Botika ng Bayan outlets established as of June 8, 2007
- 289,877 children from 7,739 daycare centers were fed under the supplemental feeding program in 2006
- 180,013 families received affordable housing units in 2006

3. Improved Quality Of Education
- 14,887 classrooms constructed in 2006, reducing classroom-student backlog and closing the gap at 1:50 double shift basis in December 2006. The number is more than two times the annual target of 6,000 classrooms.
- Scholarships provided to poor and deserving students in tertiary education
- 131,809 students received tuition subsidies in 2006
- 64,048 education vouchers distributed in 2006
- 11,254 students provided scholarships in SY 2006-2007 under the Private Education Student Financial Assistance
- 87% or 4,170 of the 4,789 public high schools nationwide provided with computer access
- 2,200 classes organized for 55,000 five-year old children under the Early Childhood Education program in 2006-2007
- 260,500 teachers and administrators trained in 2006
- 300 ladderized courses offered by higher education institutions/state universities and colleges in SY 2006-2007
- 66,000 scholarships granted under the PESFA and PGMA Training for Work Scholarship Project with Technical Education Training; about 33,000 of these scholars graduated in 2006

4. Ensured Energy Independence
- 23 active exploration service contracts, expected to increase the country's petroleum reserves from 461 million barrels of fuel oil equivalent (MMBFOE) to 579 MMBFOE by 2014
- 35 coal operating contracts with development, production and exploration commitments as of December 2005
- 7,464.8 GWh power generation (17.7% of total power generation) from geothermal resources as of September 2005
- 5,861.2 GWh of hydropower resources contributed to the country's total power generation mix in 2005
- Northwind's 25 MW wind power project along the Bangui Bay Area in Ilocos Norte supplies 40% of the province's energy requirement
- 180 kW wind diesel hybrid plant in Basco, Batanes provides uninterrupted power supply to the area
- 8,944 solar home systems have been installed, mostly in Palawan and Maguindanao
- 34 Flying V stations selling Envirotek bio-diesel premium blend as of December 2005

5. Strengthened Anti-Corruption Measures
- 200 investigators and 50 prosecutors hired
- Ombudsman's budget doubled to nearly P1 billion
- 77% conviction rate in 2007 from 6% in 2002
- P2 billion additional release in 2006, the biggest ever funding for anti-corruption efforts
- Dozens of officials dismissed, suspended or charged annually due to unexplained wealth, including two former comptrollers of the Armed Forces of the Philippines
- Integrity development reviews conducted in all government agencies
- Decrease in solicitation of bribes in agencies based in Metro Manila (to 28%-36% in 2005 from 40%-59% in 2000) based on the annual Social Weather Station survey

6. Balanced Budget
- P62.2 billion fiscal deficit in 2006 — the lowest in eight years
- P979.7 billion in government revenues for 2006, P4.6 billion higher than its target of P975.1 billion
- P70.8 billion additional revenue in 2006 following the restructuring of VAT
- P1 trillion in expenditures in 2006, P59 billion less than the programmed government expenditure



2006
SUPER REGIONS

"We will enhance the competitive advantage of the natural 'super regions' of the Philippines: the North Luzon Agribusiness Quadrangle, the Metro Luzon Urban Beltway, Central Philippines, Mindanao and the Cyber Corridor."

1. North Luzon Agribusiness Quadrangle - Developing the Agribusiness Investments in the North
- 64 national/communal irrigation systems restored, repaired and rehabilitated in 2006
- 187 kilometers of farm to market roads completed
- 75% of the La Trinidad Fruit and Vegetable Minimal Processing and Packaging Plant and the Baguio Pre-Cooling and Packaging Plant completed, which will increase the shelf life and marketability of highland vegetables in Benguet, improve the productivity and income of farmers and reduce their post harvest losses
- Ongoing projects scheduled for completion in 2007:
  - a. Dingalan Port Development Project in Aurora, expected to boost agricultural production
  - b. Port trans in Sta. Ana, Cagayan, to provide access by sea instead of coursing imports and exports to and from Metro Manila

2. Metro Luzon Urban Beltway - The Most Globally Competitive Industrial and Service Center
- Completed projects:
  - a. Radar Approach Control of the Diosdado Macapagal International Airport, promoting the safety of aircraft operations
  - b. Passenger boarding bridges of the Batangas Port Development Project
  - c. Container Terminal 1 of Subic Bay Port Development, improving cargo handling operations
  - d. Passenger terminal building at the Lucena Port Project, providing safe and convenient area for passengers
- Ongoing projects for completion in 2007 and 2008:
  - a. 15.74-km road from Sto. Tomas, Batangas to Batangas City, to cut travel time by 40 minutes
  - b. Cawit Port in Boac, Marinduque, to provide RORO service between Lucena, Quezon and Boac, Marinduque
  - c. Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway, to connect the major development areas of Central Luzon and reduce travel time from Manila to Subic by an hour

3. Central Philippines - Enhancing the Country's Image as a Tourism Haven
- 2,600 jobs generated during the construction of the new Iloilo Airport
- 500 jobs created when Iloilo Airport started its operations in June 2007
- 1,000 jobs generated during the construction of the new Bacolod-Silay Airport
- Completed projects:
  - a. Jagna Port in Bohol, strategically linking Visayas and Mindanao
  - b. New Iloilo Airport, will service 1.2 million passengers and 11,500 metric tons of cargo annually
  - c. New Bacolod-Silay Airport, will service 1.2 million passengers and 15,000 metric tons of cargo annually
  - d. Maasin Port in Leyte, enhancing port services through the provision of a wider operational area
  - e. Puerto Princesa-Taytay section of the El Nido-Babatan-Rio Tuba Road in Palawan and the El Nido-Taytay stretch
  - f. Bohol Circumferential Road, Iloilo-Jagna, Tubigon and Ubay RORO ports
- Ongoing projects for completion in 2007:
  - a. Development of Kalibo Airport, to make travel to Boracay more convenient
  - b. Siargao Airport in Surigao del Norte, to increase tourist arrivals and improve the local economy
  - c. Pantao Port development project in Libon, Albay, to offer shorter route to shipping lines, traders and travelers from Manila to Bicol
  - d. Ubay Port, to connect Bohol to Southern Leyte
  - e. Limasawa Port in Southern Leyte, Mandaon Port in Camiguin, Cawayan Port in Masbate and Naval Port in Biliran, to enhance RORO linkages and lessen transport cost

4. Mindanao - Promoting Agribusiness Investment in the South
- Port of Cagayan de Oro, the largest public port in Northern Mindanao, undergoing upgrading and rehabilitation of the backup area which will enhance RORO operations and increase economic activities
- 15-km road in Dinagat Island undergoing improvement and rehabilitation

5. Cyber Corridor - Boosting Telecommunications, Technology and Education
- P3.6 billion in revenues from the ICT industry in 2006
- P5.2 billion in revenues from ICT expected for 2007
- 394,000 Filipinos employed in the ICT industry
- 1,800 ICT skilled workers now employed in ICT companies in Dumaguete City
- 1,360 Ilonggos now working in ICT companies in Iloilo City
- P300 million released for Science and Engineering Masters and Doctorate Scholarship Program
- 229 students awarded scholarships under the 2007 Accelerated Science and Technology Human Resource Development Program
- 225 awardees under the CHED-PGMR Science and Engineering Scholarships
- Rapid progress in the development of regional ICT hubs as companies expand their operations outside Metro Manila to include ICT locations in Baguio, Cebu, Dumaguete, Iloilo, Davao, Cagayan de Oro, Bohol, Clark, Sta. Rosa in Laguna, Lipa, Batangas, Legaspi, Albay, Naga in Camarines Sur, Pasay, Iloilo, and Bacolod

2005
ANTI-TERRORISM LAW AND BIOFUELS ACT

"...our competitiveness is greatly endangered today by the global oil crisis. I call on Congress to pass legislation encouraging renewable and indigenous energy."

President Arroyo on January 12, 2007 signed the Biofuels Act of 2006 which mandates the use of biofuels to help attain energy security and self-sufficiency.
- P1 billion worth of investments from seven DoE-accredited coconut methyl ester producers with a total annual capacity of 256.5 million liters as of June 2007
- P8.8 billion worth of investments from three BOI registered bioethanol producers with a total annual capacity of 79.8 million liters as of June 2007
- 78 million liters expected reduction in diesel consumption due to the mandated 1% bio-diesel blend, resulting in P3.3 billion in forex savings
- 135 Seaoil, four Flying V and 39 Shell fueling stations in Greater Manila Area now selling ethanol blended gasoline

"...I urge the swift passage of an anti-terrorism law that will protect rather than subvert, enhance rather than weaken, the rights and liberties that terrorism precisely threatens with extinction."

President Arroyo signed on March 6, 2007 the Human Security Act of 2007, a landmark legislation to protect the people from acts of terrorism. The Act defines terrorism as crime against the Filipino people while recognizing human rights to be absolute and protected at all times.



"Join hands in the biggest challenge of all, where we all win or we all lose: the battle for the survival and progress of our one and only country."

—President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo

Newest superhero Tron to make science 'hip, cool'



CONTINUOUS LEARNING IS KEY TO OUTPERFORMING ONESELF

Blast kills 4

PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER

OPINION

Blaming Bossi

EDITORIAL



Hardly legal but definitely immoral

SEPARATE OPINION



Isagani A. Cruz

Don't worry

MOMENTS



Fr. Jerry M. Orbos, SVD

Criticisms of the Panganiban formula

With Due Respect

Antonio V. Panganiban



Shooting from the hip

Rebel Without A Clue

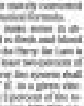
Patricia Evangelista



Swimming in the Blue Lagoon

At Large

Rina Jimenez-David



Complicity

Commentary

TALK of the TOWN

EXTRAJUDICIAL KILLINGS

'View from the mountaintop'



By Reynato S. Puno
Chief Justice, Supreme Court

I HAVE BEEN ASKED THE reason for blowing the trumpet call for this "Summit on Extrajudicial Killings and Forced Disappearances."

Losing eye contact

Pro-human rights Charter

Landmark case

Unsheathe unused power

Judicial review

Above prejudices

Proposals and recommendations

For the Executive Department

For the Supreme Court, judiciary

For Congress

THE DECONSTRUCTION OF A PAID ADVERTISEMENT DESIGNED TO MISLEAD THE PUBLIC

1. A compromise agreement between Radstock Securities and PNCC for 6 Billion pesos is signed when the actual value of the ceded properties and royalties is about 17 Billion pesos.

The value of the Compromise Agreement was reviewed twice by the Commission On Audit, the second time by all four Commissioners sitting en banc. COA agreed that 6 Billion pesos is the actual fair value of the Compromise Agreement and NOT 17 Billion pesos.

1.1 PNCC did not want to wait for a resolution on the merits even if its own government lawyer said it had a 50/50 chance to win.

PNCC decided to enter into the Compromise Agreement because the significant risk of losing the case would have resulted in corporate obliteration from which there could have been no recovery. In fact, PNCC has been working assiduously to resolve its differences with its creditors, including PNB and the National Government, as well as Radstock, in order to restructure its balance sheet and restore the company to financial health. It appears that PNCC's objectives in this regard have been largely accomplished, and the company's ability to look after its existing toll roads projects and undertake new ones in the future is now secure.

1.2 What it would lose if it fought, it gave away without a fight practically all of its assets.

This is obviously untrue! Otherwise the restoration of PNCC to financial health, as indicated above, could not possibly have occurred. The assets included in the Compromise Agreement were either surplus to PNCC's requirements or such that their disposition could not have affected its ability to operate.

1.3 This odious agreement leaves the National Government (NG) without recourse to collect the debt of PNCC amounting to billions that is recognized by PNCC itself.

The PMO and PNCC have recently been meeting in order to reconcile the position of the National Government's debts due from PNCC, and it is understood that the figure due is in fact only around 2 Billion pesos.

2. Radstock won the case on the basis of a Board Resolution foisted upon PNCC by Attys. Raymundo Francisco and Chairman Renato Valdecantos of the Asset Privatization Trust under ERAP.

The Board Resolution in 2000:

i. This did not resurrect the Marubeni debt from the dead! Indeed, it followed correspondence between Marubeni, PNCC, and the APT, on this very subject, in 1999.

ii. The Board Resolution was based on a clearcut and strong opinion provided by the Feria Law Office to the APT to the effect that the obligations concerned were legally valid and binding.

iii. The recognition of the debt was a necessary precursor to the (as it turned out) failed privatisation of PNCC in that year, so that bidders in the public auction would be properly informed about the financial status of PNCC.

2.1 The Board of PNCC recognized an obligation to Marubeni that was not even a valid obligation of PNCC (formerly CDCP). In fact it was not even carried in the books of PNCC because it never considered it an obligation of PNCC as advised by COA and OGCC.

This is clearly nonsense, as the written and oral evidence given at the RTC proceedings established a clear factual basis for the existence of the debt, the receipt of moneys from the loans by the company concerned, and the validity of the guarantees. PNCC originally attempted to attack this conclusion by the RTC by asking the Court of Appeals, and then the Supreme Court, to rule that the RTC Judge had acted with "grave abuse of discretion". However, both the CA and the SC ruled that the RTC did NOT act with "grave abuse of discretion", and it can be seen from this, as a consequence, that PNCC not only had a case to answer but was in serious danger of losing the case and seeing its asset base destroyed as a consequence.

2.2 The Board Resolution passed was never ratified, in fact it was avoided by a subsequent Board Resolution after ERAP was ousted.

The Board Resolution was in fact ratified, and a Secretary's Certificate was issued by Atty. Glenna Jean R. Ogan, the Corporate Secretary of PNCC, on October 20, 2000, to that effect.

2.3 The unratified Board Resolution was used by the RTC of Mandaluyong as its basis for its decision against PNCC in the amount of around Thirteen (13) billion pesos.

The Board Resolution was not used by the RTC of Mandaluyong as its sole basis for the decision against PNCC. The RTC rather relied upon comprehensive written and oral evidence presented during the trial which clearly showed that the debt was legally valid and had not prescribed (as a result of demand letters and similar communications sent by Marubeni to PNCC and the APT–PNCC's principal shareholder–over the years).

2.4 The Office of the Government Corporate Counsel (OGCC) which so bravely fought the seemingly stacked case against PNCC in the RTC suddenly supports a compromise agreement that deprives PNCC of practically all of its assets.

The OGCC had to face the reality that the case was being lost and a Compromise Agreement was in the best interests of its client, as, at that point, PNCC had been unsuccessful in defending its position as a debtor to Radstock at each of the three levels of the courts, the RTC, the CA, and the SC.

2.5 The head of OGCC was promoted to the post of Solicitor General and is bound for the Supreme Court. What a reward! The Supreme Court should reject her future appointment to the High Tribunal.

This is an entirely inappropriate slur on the character and reputation of a talented lawyer and dedicated public servant who has justly earned her prominence in the legal profession.

3. The Compromise Agreement was hurriedly approved in the Court of Appeals (CA) after the Supreme Court (SC) rejected the request of PNCC and Radstock to approve the compromise. The Supreme Court had remanded the case to the Court of Appeals.

The issue of the Compromise Agreement being "hurriedly approved" is incorrect, as the Court of Appeals, in approving the Compromise Agreement, was simply respecting its own Rules of Court. The Supreme Court did NOT reject the Compromise Agreement, but simply remanded it back to the Court of Appeals for a final decision, as the Supreme Court concluded that it had "No Jurisdiction".

4. The matter has been brought to the Supreme Court where thankfully the Court resolved to issue a "status quo ante order" restraining the CA from implementing the highly questionable Compromise Agreement.

The decision of the Supreme Court to leave the parties in their present positions while it considers the Motion of Stradec is an entirely normal process, as it enables the Supreme Court to make a decision without that decision being prejudiced by any additional movement in the interim period.

5. The concerned citizens herein thank the SC and invite all other concerned taxpayers to join in this battle against what is truly the "Grandmother of all Highway Robberies."

It is typical that this anonymous group calling itself "Concerned Taxpayers" should end their paid advertisement by attempting to suck up to the Supreme Court! The title for their anonymous group also raises the question as to who their members may be and what taxes they pay!

CITIZENS FOR JUSTICE AND PROPER DUE PROCESS

INQUIRER Mindanao

Waiting for the flight from Laguindingan

By Ma. Cecilia L. Rodriguez
Misamis Oriental

SKEPTICS HAVE ALREADY SHOVED IT OFF AS A pipe dream. After all, it has been 15 years when it was first announced that a new modern airport would soon rise in Laguindingan town. It was to respond to the growing demand for better air transport facilities for Northern Mindanao and Lanao provinces.

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Pet Project

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Privatization

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Most modern airport

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Relocation

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Waiting for the flight …

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Timetable

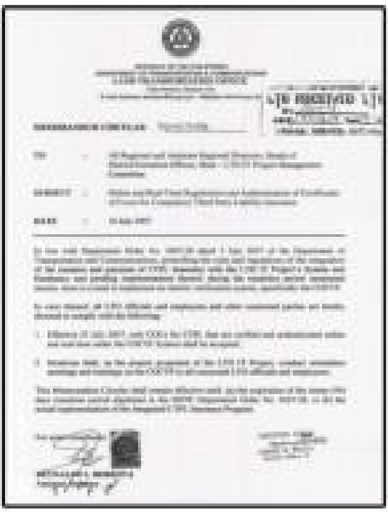


A PUBLIC SERVICE
By the Department of Transportation and Communications (DOTC),
and the Land Transportation Office (LTO).

NOTICE TO THE MOTORING PUBLIC

Starting on July 25, 2007, Compulsory Third Party Liability – Certificate of Coverage (CTPL-COC) issued by insurance providers will be verified through the Certificate of Coverage Verification Facility (COCVF) of the LTO IT System. Be advised that only CTPL-COC policies from insurance providers that are accredited by the Insurance Commission and connected to the LTO IT System will be accepted.





Across the NATION



Lecturer says journalist privilege small under HSA

NAGA CITY—A LAWYER WHO IS CONDUCTING lectures for soldiers and policemen on the controversial Human Security Act, the Philippines' version of an antiterror law, said journalists who had established communication links with terrorists could be held liable for terrorism.

Aussie firm in Vizcaya mining changes name again

Clark exec insists on different use of airport land

ROUNDUP

Appeal to dog owners

Dengue downs 550 in Laguna

War on dengue in Bacolod

Former vicar general dies

60 pushers, users held

Slaughterhouse waste pond hit

Oldest Ibanag dies

Suspected rebel slain

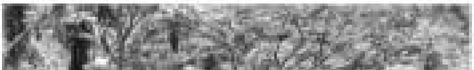
Mindanao tribal folk ask for military help vs alleged NPA abuses



DELECTABLE

NPA won't deny or confirm Jonas tag as rebel

Multinational firm workers keep up Makiling tree planting



EMPLOYEES of DuPont scale Mt. Makiling to plant trees.

Endemic species

Police, PDEA agents raid shabu laboratory in Mindoro Oriental

Kalinga gov sees elders as peace mediators, enforcers



A FILIPINO FAN holds up her copy of the latest Harry Potter book at a Taguig City bookstore.

Potter fans fete last book's sale worldwide

A plus METRO

'Barrier-free' environment at the malls for PWDs

By Margaux C. Ortiz



New mission

Safety features

Sole representative

Crucial roles



Tips on dealing with special children

Easy to identify

GLOBAL Pinoy

Global activist launches campaign to cut cost of sending remittances



15% transfer charges are too high and exchange rates are often unfair, says this advocate for financial justice

Hard time

Reconnecting with friends

Life changing



Tondo street vendor now successful HK entrepreneur

This former school dropout intends to return to Manila and set up a restaurant, and go to law school



Total student

Showbiz neighbors

'Englisero'

Very independent

Favorite place

Door-to-door service

Student for life

More work needed to turn US veterans equity bill into law



INFO

Controversial amendment

Unfair treatment

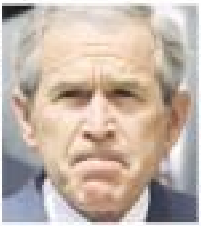
Full equity bill

The WORLD

Bush orders CIA to stop torture of detainees

Rights defenders say president hasn't gone far enough

WASHINGTON—US PRESIDENT George W. Bush, under fire over the treatment of CIA detainees, on Friday ordered that agency interrogators comply with the Geneva Conventions against torture.



BUSH AP



WORLD'S TALLEST

WorldBriefs

Taliban say they killed German hostage in Afghanistan

Israel frees scores of Palestinian prisoners

Prince Charles gives Camilla sheep for birthday

US, India finalize civilian nuclear accord

Court rebuffs Musharraf, reinstates chief justice

India's 1st female president



PATIL

Sunday SPORTS



FLAIR AND SUBSTANCE

Awakened Tigers rip Maroons

RP SEA Games roster announced Aug. 15

THE FINAL COMPOSITION of the Philippine delegation to the Southeast Asian Games will be known on Aug. 15, nearly two months ahead of the original schedule.

Eagles struggle past improved Bulldogs

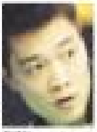
WITH ITS WINGMEN PROVIDING the shots, defending champion University of Santo Tomas clobbered University of the Philippines, 76-68, for its second straight UAAP men's basketball triumph after opening with back-to-back losses.

Hope tops Shakey's tilt

RP-San Mig crushes Kuwait

OPEN BADMINTON

Top seeds dispute 'Bingo' title



CHEN

Feliciano case, PBA Legends

IN HUDDLE



Beth Celis

Weigh-in ends in mad scuffle





Amonsot eyes WBO 'light' belt

Donaire, Condes title tiffs replayed today

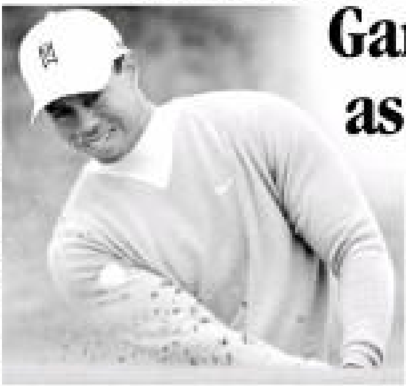


TC last leg: It's anybody's race

Amateur Tour resumes Tuesday

Tour leader sacked from Danish team

Garcia sizzles as Tiger slips



TIGER Woods chips out from a bunker near the 18th green during the second round.

Ochoa, Sorenstam crash out

Buxton, Anton combine to rule GT 2nd leg



SPORTSWATCH

Pangilinan graces SBP/Passerelle opening

Pony World Series qualifier today

Asia Supercross Weekend in Taguig

WTJ 3-cock derby submission of weights





Sunday SPORTS

FBI probes NBA ref on game-fixing

LAS VEGAS—DAVID STERN led the NBA through doping problems and work stoppages. Now his league faces the stigma of a point-shaving scandal involving a referee.

Miller, Alaska Aces go all the way



Naascu hoops: STI rips AMA; Hawks prevail

Sunday Biz



A war no one can afford to lose

Business has chance to take bold steps to combat climate change

By Tina Arceo-Dumlao



JOSE Ma. Lorenzo Tan, chief executive officer of WWF Philippines

There is still time to reverse the trend, but action is urgently needed

Look around

Role to play

Back to basics

Poverty spurred him to greater heights





A candle-making venture paved the way for the construction of a church-based learning institution



THE PRESCHOOL is Colangput's cherished dream.



NURSERY classroom at the Darda Christian School of Learning.

Color it orange

Executive Read



Art and science

Products unknown and unsung

Rate yourself through a checklist

Beautiful marketing moment

A war no one ...

Worse effects

Appropriate technologies

World vision

Compassionate leadership

A LEADER'S WAY

John C. Maxwell

Cast the net, there's a big catch

Additional income

Genuine concern



Sunday Biz



GLENN Calleja, Outstanding Fisherfolk—Fish Culture

Cast the net, there's a big catch

3 Gawad Saka awardees tell us their story for others to emulate



ARSENIO dela Peña, Outstanding Fisherfolk—Fish Capture

By Amy R. Remo

ONE OF THE BIGGEST CHALLENGES confronting Philippine agriculture [illegible]



ARTURO Mercado Jr., Outstanding Fisherfolk—Fish Capture

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Unique ponds

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Sunday LIFESTYLE
Editor Chelo Banal-Formoso



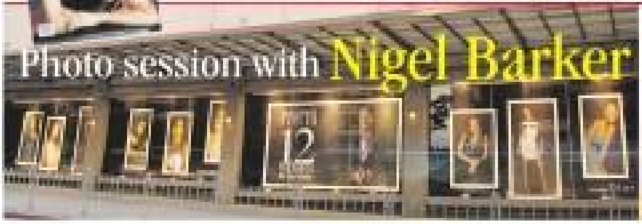




Photo session with Nigel Barker

'Despite whatever poverty there might be, there's a lot of happy faces, a lot of smiles. I mean, the people are a jolly bunch here for sure'

PLAYTIME
By the staff

ON DISPLAY THIS MONTH in the shop windows of Rustan's, Ayala Avenue side, are photographs of 12 women taken by Nigel Barker for the glossy high society chronicler Philippine Tatler. All the photos are on exhibit at Greenbelt 3, including the perfect-for-the-cover photo of [illegible]

[illegible]

Photo session with Nigel Barker



> The average person is becoming the new role model for society. You've got fashion models and you've got role models and I think people find it much easier to look up to a hardworking individual who's lived the life and has something decent to say for himself and is respectful and brings home the bacon for his family


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Famous acrobats perform in choreographed comedy



Photo session . . .

Because of ['America's Next Top Model'], regardless of the quality of my work, the American people are gonna think of me when they are asked to name one photographer right now



PHILIPPINE DAILY INQU
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Sunday
LIFESTYI
Elegant wedding for editors



THE NEWLYWEDS with their parents [illegible]



FRANCES with her bridesmaids [illegible]



THE GROOM'S nephews [illegible]

Elegant wedding for editors



WITH the flower girls [illegible]

OUR EDITOR FRANCES Arguer wed recently writer and former editor Vince Sales in an elegant ceremony at the Archbishop's Palace in Mandaluyong City.

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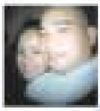


THE BRIDE'S cousin [illegible]

[illegible]

Milestones

[illegible]





RODRIGUEZ-ABOR

[illegible]



CARIÑO-GABO

[illegible]



VALENTON-SALAZAR

[illegible]





VALDEZ DEBUT

[illegible]

EMILY'S POST
Emily Marcelo

Unable to forget and forgive

[illegible]

ABOUT TO GO INSANE

[illegible]

Filipino course for foreign students

[illegible]

PURELY PERSONAL
Josephine Darang

Prayers result in miraculous healing

Blessed James

Lipa pilgrimage

Jubilee concert

Healing concert

St. James the Apostle

Pilgrimage



CEBU CEBU
Jaime Picornell

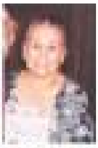
A book for the amigos



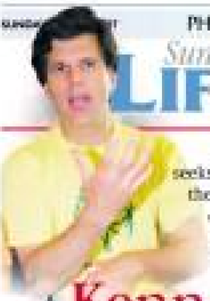
Birthday

Inspiration





Sunday LIFESTYLE



Tim Shriver seeks to promote the acceptance of and joy in people with disabilities

A Kennedy comes to town

H[illegible]

Pushing the agenda

[illegible]

Largest program

[illegible]



[illegible]

Raising healthy kids while your spouse is away

[illegible]

10 ways to fight global warming

It's a moral issue that we need to deal with before it's too late

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We need to start now and do what we can to ensure that the world will be safe enough for our children to live in

Roots and Wings

Cathy Babao-Guballa

How to be a 'green' parent





A Kennedy comes to town

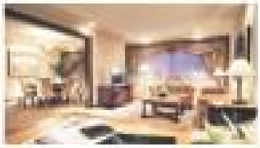




A home in Boracay

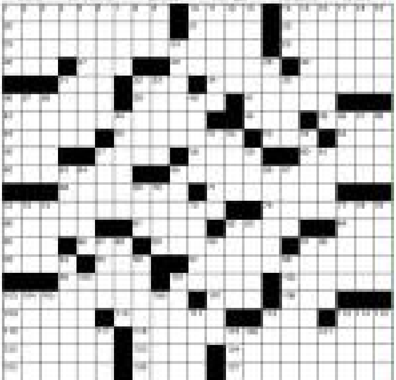


MIND YOUR BUSINESS



SUNDAY CROSSWORD

PREMIER CROSSWORD/ By Frank A. Longo — **THERE E GOES!**





DAILY FLIGHT TO FRANKFURT

Travel Briefs

Win a HK Disney trip

Dream Honeymoon package

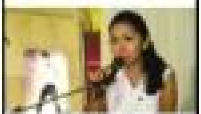
Holiday in Hawaii for US$725

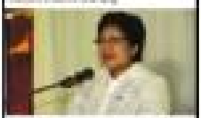


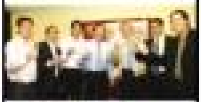
Special business packages



Environmentalists give the green thumbs up to GreenBag







GREEN CHEERS ALL AROUND

Sunday LifeStyle at HOME



GLASS windows and an imposing ceiling make for an impressive combination





Living the great outdoors indoor

A family weekend sanctuary in San Juan, Batangas, makes the elements part of the family

Text by Alex Y. Vergara
Photos by Chito Pacias

THE SKY IS OVERCAST IN METRO MANILA, but there are no palpable signs of rain as we drive to the Mendoza family's weekend sanctuary in San Juan, Batangas. And Myrna Macaraig-Mendoza wishes it stays that way.

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Living/F3



A PLAY of wood and concrete

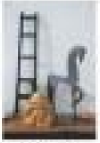




Living the great outdoors indoor





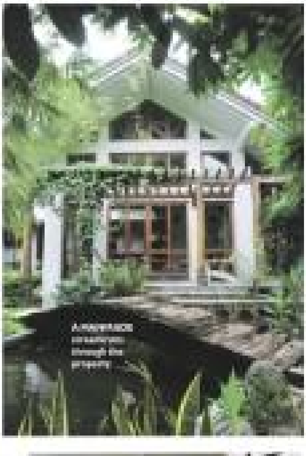








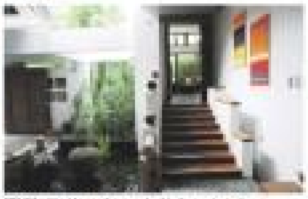













DESK lamp


COMPACT rice cooker


TOASTER, a perfect companion at breakfast


COMPACT one-cup coffee maker designed for on-the-go coffee drinkers

Fun, colorful dormmates

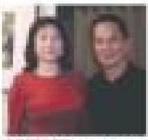
SCHOOLS IN AND STUDENTS living away from home can still enjoy its comforts with fun and functional dormmates from SM Appliance Center. Given the space limitations of dorms, boarding houses and apartment units, these are compact, often colorful, time saving and make it easier for students to adjust with their new lifestyle.



ANSWERS TO SUNDAY CROSSWORD





Social responsibility is the new chic



TESSA!
Tessa Prieto-Valdes

I noticed that the girls and boys of Girls and Boys Town in Cavite had the same hair accessories and haircuts. Maybe for Christmas, I will donate colorful headbands and individualized ponytails



Sisters of Mary charity

Emotional

New Sumar project















ENTERTAINMENT





Rainy showcase in Tokyo

> Philippine Fiesta '07 a bright spot in soaked Yoyogi park







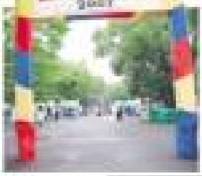
FEEDBACK

Sad, sad story

Let it go, guys

In Switzerland

Wrong info



'Hairspray' takes bold, but lacks kitsch

No sense of fun

Christy Lemire, AP



TRAVOLTA

Rainy showcase

Impressed

Healing

Covered retreat







'Hermione' reacts to 'Potter' 7 leak



...and does Orlando bloom in his play?

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD

Ruben V. Nepales



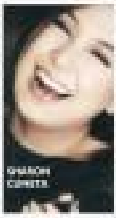
Spoiler alert

Excellent animation

Mixed reviews

Unrewarding part

Santino lifts Auntie Gretchen's spirits



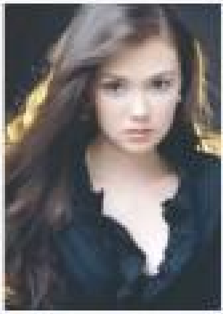
SHARON CUNETA

Top of the tabloids

RUSHES

Pia humor

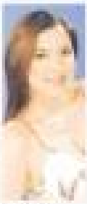
No Candy man



ANGELICA Panganiban

Benicio as 'Che'

Mrs. Rocky in rehab





EMMY NOMINEES

Tom Cruise starts shooting Hitler film



AP



TOURISM'S Ace Durano: "We got the right audience."



A BURST of colors and cheer from the Bayanihan Folkloric Group and Ballet Manila.



KALIBO hero

Rainy showcase . . .

From page G1

DOT Team Japan head Benito Bengzon Jr., who put the Rainy together, agreed: "It provided an excellent opportunity for us to showcase the best of Philippine culture and tourism, and the world-class talent of Filipino performers."

Asked if he was satisfied with the overall turn of events, Ambassador Siazon remarked: "No, because it's raining." But should DOT do it again? "Oh, yes," he quipped. "The third time will be lucky."



BENITO Bengzon Jr.: Team Japan head: "Excellent opportunity"

ENTERTAINMENT

INSIDE
"Sesame Street" musical in Manila /H4



DINA BONNEVIE



ROSANNA ROCES

Osang, Dina make peace

By Marinel R. Cruz

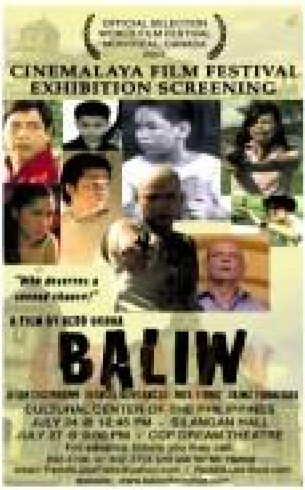
Working together

CHEER FACTOR

Kiddie reality show defended

Incredible





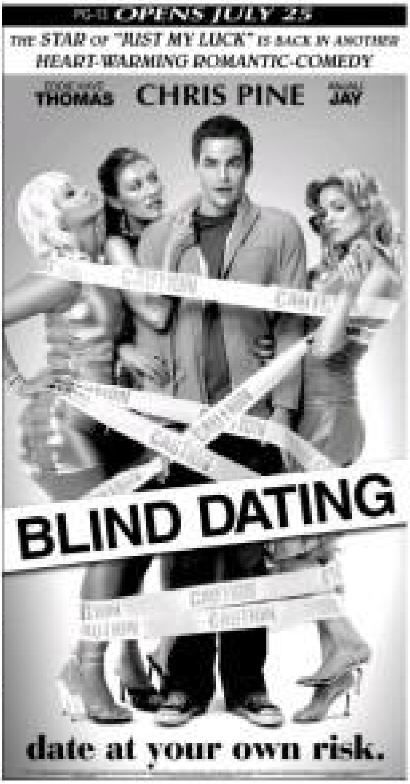


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MOVIE GUIDE

NOW SHOWING





Harry Potter becomes a warrior



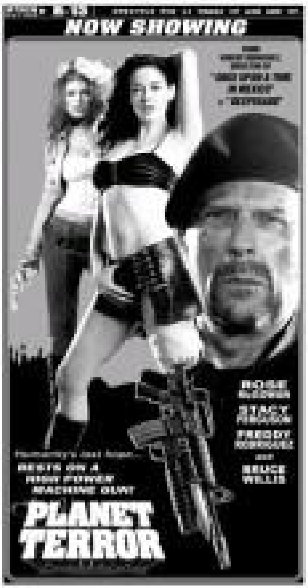
Viewfinder

Nestor U. Torre

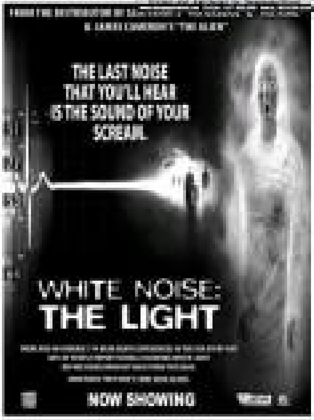
Worst nightmare

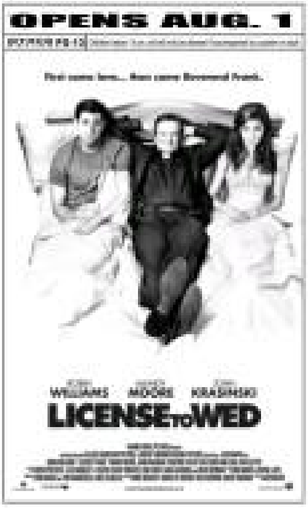
Sesame Street





Did You Know...







AT THE CINEMAS

Cinema				
GLORIETTA 1	1 TRANSFORMERS	2 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	3 PLANET TERROR	4 DIE HARD 4.0
GLORIETTA 4	1 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	2 DIE HARD 4.0	3 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	
	4 IN THE LAND OF WOMEN	5 VACANCY	6 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	7 TRANSFORMERS
GREENBELT 1	1 VACANCY	2 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX		
GREENBELT 3	1 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	2 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX		
	3 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	4 IN THE LAND OF WOMEN	5 VACANCY	
ALABANG TOWN CENTER	1 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	2 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX		
	3 TRANSFORMERS	4 VACANCY	5 IN THE LAND OF WOMEN	
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MARKET! MARKET!	1 HARRY POTTER & THE ORDER OF THE PHOENIX	2 IN THE LAND OF WOMEN		
	3 WHITE NOISE 2 THE LIGHT	4 DIE HARD 4.0	5 VACANCY	
TRINOMA	1 WHITE NOISE 2 THE LIGHT	2 TRANSFORMERS	3 VACANCY	4 IN THE LAND OF WOMEN
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AT THE MALLS

Ayala Malls

Mall	Event
Glorietta	
Greenbelt	Shop & Travel at Greenbelt 1 Promo
Alabang Town Center	
Ayala Center Cebu	
Market! Market!	
Onstage	
Ayala Museum	
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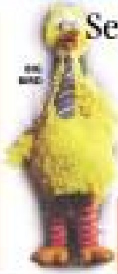


Glorietta · Greenbelt · Alabang Town Center · Ayala Center Cebu · Market! Market! · TriNoma

'Komiks' are back



Sesame Street, Manila



BIG BIRD



COUNT VON COUNT

Popular tunes

